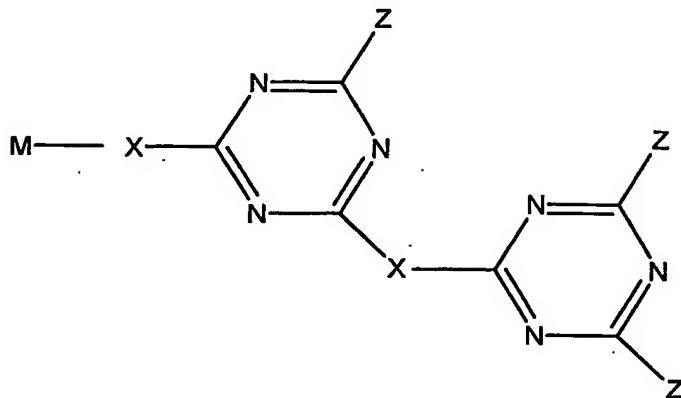
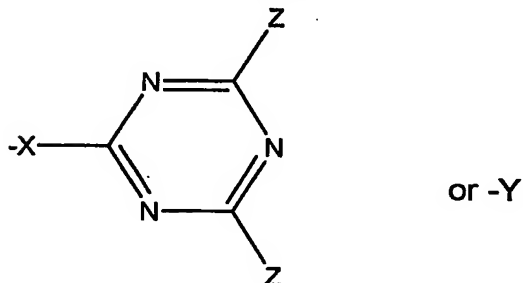


CLAIMS

1. A compound of the formula



wherein each Z is the same or different and is

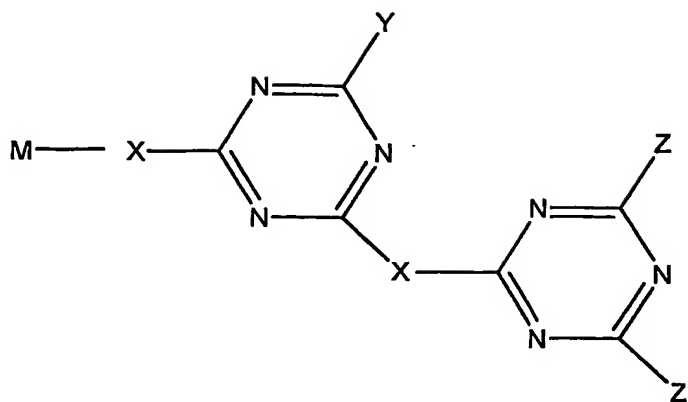


wherein each X is the same or different and is a multivalent aminyl group or diaminyl-terminated spacer;

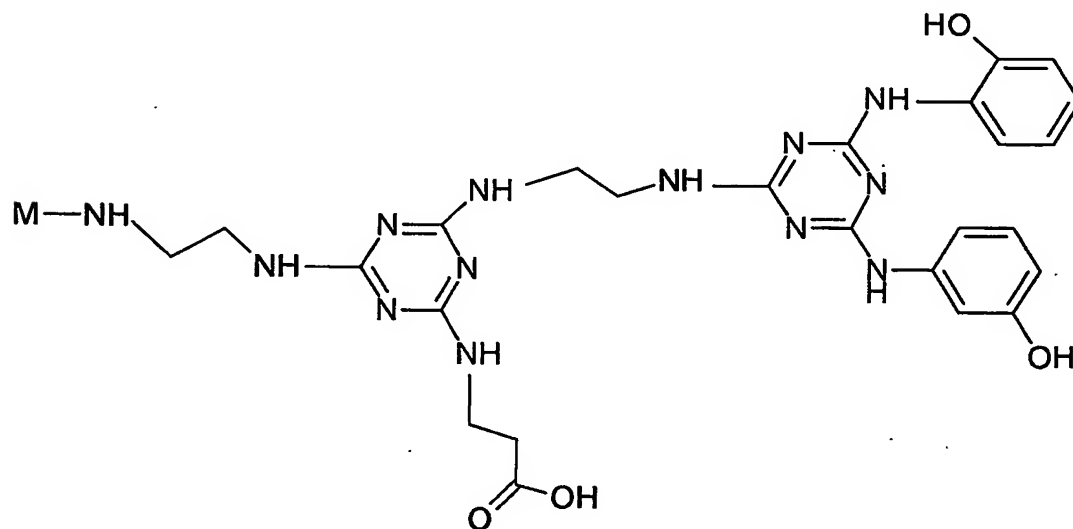
each Y is the same or different aminyl group; and

M is a support matrix.

2. A compound according to claim 1, of the formula



3. A compound according to claim 2, wherein either or each Z is Y.
4. A compound according to any preceding claim, wherein each X independently represents a secondary amino group or a diaminoalkane.
5. A compound according to any preceding claim, wherein each Y is independently selected from optionally substituted aliphatic and aromatic primary amines.
6. A compound according to claim 1, of the formula



7. A compound according to any preceding claim, wherein X linking two triazine rings is derived from ammonia.
8. A compound according to any preceding, wherein X linking two triazine rings is derived from a diaminoalkane.
- 5 9. A compound according to any preceding claim, wherein X linking two triazine rings is derived from 1,2-diaminoethane, diethylenetriamine or tris(aminoethyl)amine.
10. A compound according to any preceding claim, which contains 2 or more triazine groups and 3 independently available Y groups.
11. A compound according to any preceding claim, which contains 3 or more triazine groups and 4 independently variable Y groups.
- 10 12. A library of related compounds according to any preceding claim on a common support M.
13. A method for the production of a library according to claim 12, which comprises the synthesis of intermediate structures, either singly or in multiples, dividing the structures into smaller portions, and carrying out appropriate subsequent reaction steps.
- 15 14. The use of a compound according to any of claims 1 to 11, for the separation, isolation, purification, characterization, identification, quantification or discovery of peptides and proteins.
- 20 15. A process for the separation, purification or discovery of a proteinaceous material, which comprises subjecting a sample containing the material to affinity chromatography using a compound according to any of claims 1 to 11.
16. A process according to claim 15, wherein the proteinaceous material is an immunoglobulin or a subclass, fragment, precursor or derivative thereof, including fusion proteins, whether derived from natural or recombinant sources.
- 25 17. The use of a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 11, for the removal of contaminants, including toxic or pathogenic entities, from a preparation of biological or pharmaceutical compound.